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TO : Chief, Language and Area School

DATE: 23 December 1959

FROM : Deputy Chief, Plans Research and Administration

SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report

A. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

None to report.

B. OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. The second running of the Introduction to Overseas Effectiveness was brought to a successful conclusion on Friday last. C/LAS helped materially in winding up the course at a high level by his concise and effective two-hour summary of the aim and rationale of the course. It is my considered opinion, based not only on the enthusiastic comments of those who took the course but the many highly complimentary comments of visiting lecturers and many months of observation and study that LAS in developing this course and program has made for OTR a real contribution in a new field of training.

25X1 2. We note with regret the departure of [ ] from the LAS staff. !!!

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25X1 4. For several weeks [ ] have been working on new approaches to testing of oral language proficiency. [ ] has developed a new procedure for test interviews and [ ] has developed two new methods for evaluating test performance. All of these will be tried out first on an experimental basis; then an improved standard procedure will be adopted.

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